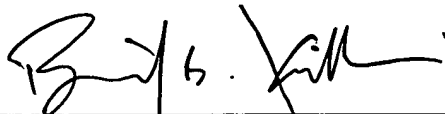


Remarks/Arguments:

It is respectfully requested that the amendment above be entered before examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



Basil S. Krikelis, Registration No. 41,129
Attorney(s) for Applicant(s)

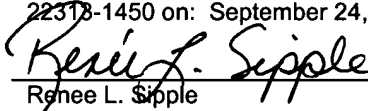
BSK/rls

Dated: September 24, 2004

☒ P.O. Box 1596
Wilmington, DE 19899
(302) 778-2500

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. **50-0929** of any fees associated with this communication.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on: September 24, 2004


Renee L. Sipple